

Thursday Evening  
May 12 1843

My dear Sir

You will receive herewith  
your Extra Copies of *Columbiana*, & I trust  
will be pleased with them as "some what tick-  
ful".

With you would send us the portrait of  
Dr. Canby which you have - we wish to be sure  
that you receive it again in my name - it  
should be sent between various boards. I do  
not know how we can pay for a portrait of him  
but our engraver is very anxious to do one at  
any price we please - Is there any other ~~port~~  
more than the one you have & is that an ac-  
credited one - The Memoir of <sup>by</sup> Martins  
is not yet quite Anglican, I have ventured to  
trim it a little & to erase the last half of  
the last sentence which is not in good taste.  
Not so well calculated for our mission as for  
many. It is not in any <sup>wise</sup> as masterly  
production as the subject deserves - Is it of  
interest to you to know that there are two  
copies of Vol 4 of the *Prodromus* on sub-  
ject - belonging to the stock of a bookseller

maybe have for a long.

I hope you are pleased with the appearance of the new No. it has to my eye a good look - but alas! these hard times cut us down ~~awfully~~. But lists every where are falling off dreadfully in many places so far. Oh. While at our best estate we never had a thousand subscribers. Altho in N.Y. if you could pen a paragraph about the new No for the American or the some other paper - it might be of service.

Shall you have any original matter for the August April No.?

I fear I shall hardly reach N.Y. while you are there.

I send you Agassiz's Nomenclature of Zoologists - have you seen the proposed tables of Nomenclature & issued by the British Association? Have it & look much - it would be most satisfactory if laws were enforced.

Yours ever

William J.

This is quick to go to Boston via N.Y. other way & we shall be very glad to



To Prof John Torrey.

New York -

Dear Sir -

Boston 4<sup>th</sup> March 1848 -

Accompanying Mr Buckley's price for the Journal was received by us yesterday viz. New Haven.

Although our April No. was completed before the receipt of your letter, Mr B's price seemed so important & valuable - that we yesterday sent it back to New Haven with orders to have it inserted, at all events and a proof sheet sent to you - which you will please hand to Mr Buckley, whose address we are ignorant of. It is a pity we cannot keep in the country such important & interesting topics - but the curse of the poor is their poverty. Alas that Lincoln's cabinet will for a similar season go to Rome -

We were glad after so long a time, again to see your hand & to hear of your success in getting Carbonic acid appy - We will drop Mr Buckley a line as his paper - & secure it for our July No. We need now all the active cooperation we find. Can afford us in pushing through the present depressed state of the Journal into smoother waters.

We regret the decline must - because of our inability to meet all the wishes of our contributors in giving full swing to illustrations & plates - Only recently - we lost a most valuable paper from a field -



on the Ancient Peruvians because the plates cost  
\$500. as it is, we pay large sums annually for  
engravers bills - It is mortifying in some degree  
to see such things as Grahams magazines with a  
circulation of over ~~50,000~~ 50,000 per month & we having  
only about 1000 - & not 500 who pay 1/-

As soon as we are <sup>at</sup> the bottom of the hill down  
which the country has been sliding for 2 years past  
we shall ~~then~~ hope for a change in our affairs & begin  
to make a stir. We feel that it has been of  
great service to the Journal & having had the  
services of L. Gray - who is, & has been as you  
know for some time - our authority for all Bot-  
anical matters in the Journal - & the extension  
of the same system within proper limits, which  
has long been our purpose - will give the Journal  
a tone of Authority in most matters from which  
there will be no appeal -

We knew of Mr. Buckley's intended paper on Southern plants - it can have a place in July - Mr. B. will please note a <sup>manuscript</sup> paper - when he returns the proof sheet <sup>to Mr. Haven</sup> how many copies he will have for his own use - which he will please accept from us - Harvard College will now begin to take a proper plan of scientific education - the appointment of Gay as the best move ever made by them, & as far as anything is known about it -

Very truly Yrs. J. D. S.

Very truly Yours friend

H. Lillman & P. Lillman

Perhaps you may think it worth while to furnish a  
Memorandum of your new appy. for Carbonic  
Acid and its results for the Journal - if  
you do, we shall of course be most happy to  
receive it - and if it requires a wood cut, you  
can get it done in N.Y. at once & send.

R. B. S.

Frederick & Co.

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Dr. J. C. Torrey

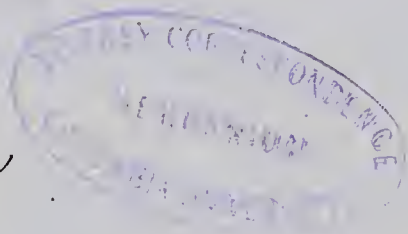
Prof. Henry, &  
Crosby St. Medical School

New York



New Haven July 26 1856.

Dr John Honey  
U.S. Pay Office  
My dear Sir!

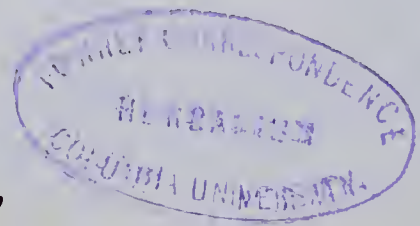


Undoubtedly you have been duly advised by Mr Aftainer no 59 W. 21<sup>st</sup> of the fact that the parties who have been the victims of the fraud last year respecting the Great Hole Budget ~~that~~ are about to commence legal proceedings against us who gave Certificates or opinions upon which as is represented the Advances &c were made. This cool and unprecedented procedure looks to me like a desperate attempt on the part of those who have lost money by this nefarious proceeding to hold hand-to-coerce us, by fear of a public discussion of the subject, into the payment of money to hush the thing up. Now I should like to know what you think of it and whether any concerted action on our part is desirable to meet the case. For we do not in the least fear any publicity which may be given to the affair, nor do I believe that there can be the least loss of professional standing in consequence. As for any claim resting against us I

Have not the least idea that anything can be made  
of it, although it is certainly possible that they  
may make us costs for defending it.

Hope that you will be in Albany in  
August.

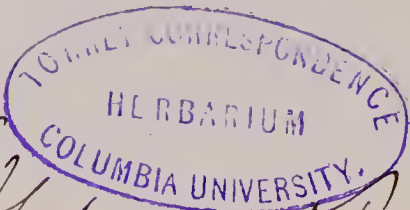
Yours very truly  
D. Silliman





July 7 1859

My dear Sir



I hope your Treasurer will find his exchequer large enough to take in the modest donations of my Calicut this year. I am glad to hear that your income in Columbia is some \$18,000 better this year than last and I suppose from the results of your public lectures the outlay will be somewhat less— I rely on you to keep me in mind—

My kindest regards to your daughter and the wife & I read her sweet note and hope she—

may yet replace her loss of a  
pet. I can undoubtedly get  
her another of the series It

Yours very truly

R. Silliman

Dr. John Torrey



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